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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

[c01] (Currently Amended) A method of providing communications services, comprising the steps of:

receiving a communication from an originating party, the communication intended for a receiving party;

accessing a database of pre-created data messages, the database storing a pre-created data message having a common association between the receiving party and the originating party; and

communicating the pre-created data message to the originating party.

[c02] (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises communicating the pre-created data message via an Internet Protocol communications network.

[c03] (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises wirelessly communicating the pre-created data message via a wireless communications network.

[c04] (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises wirelessly communicating the pre-created data message via a pager communications network.

[c05] (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of receiving the communication comprises receiving a telephone call intended to terminate at the receiving party.

[c06] (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of receiving the communication comprises receiving a data message addressed to the receiving party.

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[c07] (Cancel)

[c08] (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises communicating the pre-created data message to another destination.

[c09] (Currently Amended) A method of providing communications services, comprising the steps of:

receiving a communication from an originating party, the communication intended for a receiving party;

accessing a database of pre-created data messages, the database storing multiple pre-created data messages associated with the receiving party;

selecting one of the pre-created data messages; and

communicating the pre-created data message to the originating party.

[c10] (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises communicating the pre-created data message via an Internet Protocol communications network.

[c11] (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises wirelessly communicating the pre-created data message via a wireless communications network.

[c12] (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of receiving the communication comprises receiving a telephone call intended to terminate at the receiving party.

[c13] (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of receiving the communication comprises receiving a data message addressed to the receiving party.

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[c15] (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of communicating the pre-created data message comprises communicating the pre-created data message to another destination.

[c16] (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of selecting one of the pre-created data messages comprises selecting one pre-created data message having a common association between the originating party and an additional condition, the additional condition specified by the receiving party.

[c17] (Original) A method according to claim 16, wherein the additional condition comprises a time of a day that the communication is received.

[c18] (Original) A method according to claim 16, wherein the additional condition comprises entries in an electronic calendar.

[c19] (Original) A method according to claim 16, wherein the additional condition comprises presence information.

[c20] (Original) A method according to claim 16, wherein the additional condition is based on a search of another database.

[c21] (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:

a Communications Module stored in a memory device, and a processor communicating with the memory device;

the Communications Module receiving a communication from an originating party that is intended for a receiving party, the Communications Module accessing a

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database of pre-created data messages, the database storing a pre-created data message having a common association between the receiving party and the originating party, the Communications Module then initiating a communication of the pre-created data message to the originating party.

[c22] (Currently Amended) A computer program product, comprising:

a computer-readable medium; and

a Communications Module stored on the computer-readable medium, the Communications Module receiving a communication from an originating party that is intended for a receiving party, the Communications Module accessing a database of pre-created data messages, the database storing a pre-created data message having a common association between the receiving party and the originating party, the Communications Module then initiating a communication of the pre-created data message to the originating party.